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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bumbarger, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/408,861  
Filed: September 30, 1999  
For: Protective Multi-Layered Liquid Retaining Composite  
Group Art Unit: 1771  
Attorney's Docket No. N-4310  
Customer Number: 23456

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

November 30, 2001

Dear Sir:

In connection with the Office Action mailed July 2, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**AMENDMENT**IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 38-42 and 55-65 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof. Specifically, Applicants reserve the right to prosecute these claims as the subject matter of a Divisional Application.

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